

Make Lentil Fest fun last at your library

It's August—and that means one exciting event on the Palouse—the National Lentil Festival. From a fun run to a tasty cook-off, to vendors and hands-on fun for the kids, you can find it all and more at the festival! As we say on the Palouse at this time of the year—so many lentils, with so much to see, do, eat and enjoy! We hope to meet up with you at the parade and also at Reaney Park for lots of lentil fun! And when the parade is over, head to Neill Public Library to find some great lentil cookbooks and find out about the history of our amazing local area. If you haven't enjoyed the beautiful DVD entitled *Oh Palouse*, use your library card to check it out soon. This month and every month, stop often to see us.

Children's Programs

The library offers weekly story times for children and families, and lap-sit language enrichment programs for little ones. It's never too early to instill the love of books and language in your child. Make plans to join us whenever you can. Pre-registration is NOT required. All programs are open to the public and are offered free of charge. For information contact **Kathleen Ahern** or **Shannon Rusca** at 338-3258.

Wednesdays

- **Mother Goose Time** (newborns-24 months) meets from 9:30-10 a.m.
- **Time For Twos Story Time** (2-3 years) from 10:30-11 a.m.

Fifth graders get the big picture about water quality

"Rain that falls and snow that melts!" was enthusiastically chanted by a group of Pullman fifth-graders in response to the question, "What is stormwater?" posed by city of Pullman Stormwater Services Manager **Rob Buchert** during a field trip to Pullman City Playfields at the end of last school year. The Palouse-Clearwater Environmental Institute (PCEI) and city of Pullman Stormwater Services together educate every Pullman fifth grader about stormwater and its effects on water quality.

To connect students to the Pullman community and show them the impact that their everyday choices have on the local and regional environment, students rotated through three stations that provided hands-on, place-based activities and information. They learned that stormwater is a serious environmental issue across the country that can increase erosion and flooding, sediment, nutrients, debris, toxic contaminants, and more. They also learned that water flowing through Pullman eventually makes its way into the Snake and Colombia Rivers, both of which are home to endangered salmon species.

By understanding the greater ecological system and potential issues, Pullman fifth-graders feel a sense of duty to keep their local and regional community clean.

Thursdays

- **Mother Goose Time** (newborns-24 months) meets from 9:30-10 a.m.
- **Time For Twos Story Time** (2-3 years) from 10:30-11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time** (3-5 years) from 10:30-11 a.m.

Adult Programs

- **Grand Avenue Book Club** meets at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 6 in the Hecht meeting room to discuss *Without Reservations: Travels of an Independent Woman* by **Alice Steinbach**. For more information contact **Rezina** or **Michelle** at 334-3595.
- **Good Yarns** knit and crochet group meets from 1-2:30 p.m. every Friday in the Hecht meeting room. Join fellow fiber enthusiasts to work on your projects, share tips, and get new ideas. All skill levels are welcome. For more information contact **Randi** at 334-3595.

Library Hours

Mon • 1-7 p.m.
Tue • 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
Wed & Thu • 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Fri & Sat • 1-5 p.m.
Neill Public Library • 210 N. Grand Ave
www.neill-lib.org • 334-3595

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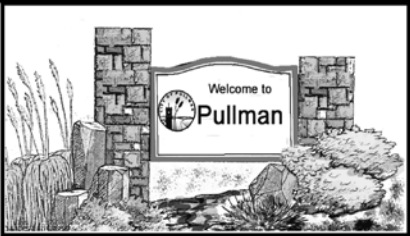
Let's Spruce Up Our Welcome Mat! Beautifying Pullman One Project at a Time!

Please support Pullman's Grand Avenue Greenway Committee as we work to enhance our city's entrances. Your tax-deductible donation will enable us to construct entrance signs on Grand Avenue at the city's north and south boundaries.

Make your check payable to City of Pullman's dedicated fund by specifying 'Greenway Project' & send to: City of Pullman 240 SE Dexter Pullman, WA 99163.

Name _____
(Please Print)
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Pledge Amount: _____

Thank You for Your Support!



PARKS & RECREATION

Quality Preschool Education

Pullman Parks and Recreation is accepting preschool registrations in our program designed for the pre-kindergarten student. Young children will have opportunities to select, explore and practice various skills in a secure, creative and stimulating environment. Teachers plan developmentally appropriate activities that promote social, emotional, physical, and cognitive growth. Our curriculum implements language, art, music, math, science, and movement activities through monthly, theme-based units. Children gain self-esteem and independence as they are treated with respect and encouraged individually. Our preschool is open to children 3-5 years of age. For more information call 338-3227.

3-on-3 Lentil Festival Hoop Classic

The Pullman Parks and Recreation 3-on-3 Lentil Festival Hoop Classic basketball tournament for boys and girls entering grades 3-8 will be held in Reaney Park on Saturday, Aug. 22. Entry forms are available at the Pioneer Center, 240 SE Dexter St. or online at pullmanparksandrec.com. Registration deadline is Friday, Aug. 14.

Splash Down Water Park

When the summer heat is blazing, what better way is there to cool down than at Splash Down? The lineup includes two giant inner tube rides, extreme body bowl slide, spiral tube speed slide, and more! Try out the Fast Ball, Cannon Ball, and Spokane Falls attractions. Bring dry clothes, a water bottle and money for other attractions and food at the Barefoot Grill and Petey's Surf and Sweet Shop, or bring your own lunch. We will leave Pullman at 9 a.m. on Wednesday Aug. 5 and return to Pullman around 7 p.m. Youth entering grades 6-8 are welcome to register for this exciting day of fun. *Fee: \$42, which includes admission, escort-supervision and transportation to the water park.

Silverwood and Boulder Beach Water Park

You're guaranteed to have fun at Silverwood Theme Park and Boulder Beach Water Park whether you are lying on the beach at Big Moose Bay, zipping down Pioneer Plunge, or cruising down Timber Terror. This Athol, Ida. amusement park has more than 65 rides and attractions, ranging from roller coasters with insane 65 mph drops to rides built just for the little ones. Bring a great attitude, a change of clothes, lots of sunscreen,

money for lunch and dinner, games and souvenirs. We will leave Pioneer Center at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 11 and will return to Pullman around 8 p.m. Youth entering grades 6-8 are welcome to register for this exciting day of fun. Fee: \$64* which includes admission, escort-supervision and transportation to theme park.

Summer Co-Ed Softball League

Get your team together to play in the Co-ed Softball League starting late this summer. This league will be combined with Moscow Parks and Recreation and will play from mid-August through September. Team packets are available online at pullmanparksandrec.com or at the Pioneer Center at 240 SE Dexter St. Registration will be accepted Aug. 3-8, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Games will be played on Monday and Wednesday evenings beginning Aug. 18. Team fee: \$425.

*All registrants who live outside Pullman city limits will be charged an additional \$2.

For more information or to register, go to www.pullmanparksandrec.com or call Pullman Parks and Recreation at 338-3227.

Back-to-School Safety Tips

As the new school year begins, the Pullman Police Department has a few reminders for keeping our community and students safe as they travel to and from school and throughout our neighborhoods.

Crosswalks: Pedestrians have the right-of-way in crosswalks. Students should only cross the street at crosswalks and always look both ways before stepping off of a curb. Drivers should not block the crosswalk, as it is dangerous for pedestrians to walk around a blocking vehicle. Children are unpredictable pedestrians and the most difficult to see. Take extra care to watch for children crossing roadways near school zones, playgrounds, parks and residential areas.

Crossing Guards: Keeping students safe as they cross roads near schools is a crossing guard’s primary responsibility. It is not necessarily their responsibility to facilitate the flow of cars. Help them to do their jobs by obeying their instructions.

School Buses: It is illegal to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload passengers and the bus red lights are flashing. Traffic in both directions must stop for children to enter or exit the school bus. Be alert. Children are unpredictable and should be given plenty of space and time near roadways.

Yield to Transit Buses: To ensure the safety of all passengers in vehicles on the roadway, Pullman Transit reminds drivers in the city to yield to busses as they move from bus stops back into the lanes of traffic.

Use of Cell Phones While Driving: Drivers are prohibited from talking on cell phones and reading, writing or sending text messages while driving. Put your phone down and keep your eyes up.

Speeding: The speed limit on most residential streets in Pullman is 25 mph, and less in some school zones when children are present. Fines for speeding are increased in speed and construction zones.

Bicycle Safety: Persons riding bicycles are subject to the same laws as motorists. Regardless of what the law requires, the Pullman Police Department recommends that all operators and passengers wear bicycle helmets. Children should be taught to be defensive when riding and never assume that a driver sees them. Bicyclists should carefully look in all directions for vehicles, other bicyclists and pedestrians. Extra care should be taken when nearing intersections or driveways where vehicles may be turning.

Kids: Always cross the street at corners or crosswalks and obey the crossing guard’s instructions. Put down your cell phone or other device and keep your eyes up. Make eye contact with drivers before entering roadways or exiting sidewalks. When possible, walk with friends as there is strength in numbers and a group is more visible than a single pedestrian. Stay on sidewalks and do not cut through yards or alleys. NEVER accept rides or get into a car with a stranger!

Parents: Walk the approved route to school with your child before school starts. You can ensure the route is safe, assess potential hazards, and pick a route with the fewest number of street crossings. Also, you’ll know where to start looking for your child if there is a problem to or from school. Discuss with your child safe places to go for help, such as the homes of trusted adults, school, and businesses. Discuss what your child should do if an unknown adult tries to get them to come to their car, into their house, or grabs them. They should tell them "No!" scream for help, fight back if grabbed, get to a safe place, tell a trusted adult and call 911! Know who your kid’s friends are and where they live and keep a list of addresses and phone numbers handy. Keep older kids active and reduce the risk of delinquent behaviors by getting them involved in activities in the after-school hours.

The start of a new school year is an exciting and busy time for families. It is up to all of us to be safe and watch out for kids!

Wednesday Concerts on the Plaza

Come to Pine Street Plaza for food, fun and great music. Food vendors (TBA) begin serving at 5:30 p.m. Performances run from 6-7:30 p.m.

- Aug. 7- **Eric E.** (acoustic, rock, blues, jazz)
- Aug. 14- **Borderline Blue** (classic rock, country, jazz)

Concerts sponsored by Wysup Motors, WSECU, Avista Utilities, Dissmore’s IGA, RE/MAX Home & Land, Pullman Disposal Service, Omega Electric, Pickard Orthodontics, and Pullman Chamber of Commerce.

Community Plus Transit Service

Pullman Transit Community “PLUS” Service resumes on Aug. 20, with the WSU fall semester beginning Aug. 25, and Pullman School District middle and high school students starting classes on the 26th.

Pullman Transit employees will be present at both the LMS Registration Fair (Aug. 18 and 19 in the LMS Gym) and PHS Registration (Aug. 20 and 21 in the PHS Cafeteria) to distribute bus passes and discuss routes with students and parents. LMS and PHS Tripper Routes begin Aug. 26, the first day of school.

Buses run Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to midnight and on Saturdays the North and South routes operate from 9:15 a.m. to midnight.

Please visit **Pullmantransit.com** for route details, or to use the “Where’s My Bus?” vehicle locator. You can also scan the QR code located on all bus stop signs to view buses in real time. Follow us on Twitter @Pullman_Transit or to speak with a dispatcher, call 332-6535.

Plan your August aquatics and fitness fun PAFC super summer special memberships through Aug. 28

Age	Daily	Season*
4-17	\$3	\$40
18-59.....	\$4	\$60
60+	\$3	\$40
Family	\$11.....	\$120
*Annual members receive 25% off.		

- CLOSED for maintenance Sat/Sun, Aug. 29-30
- Session 3 swim lessons: 9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Aug. 8
- Morning session 5 swim lessons: 8:15-10 a.m., Monday, Aug. 10
- It’s Wibit time. Come join us for our in-water obstacle course! The Wibit will be in the pool every Friday, until Aug. 21. Barracudas Swim Team will be using the pool until 5:30 p.m., so expect the Wibit to be ready by 6 p.m. Regular drop-in fee and supervision policy apply. Membership/free passes are accepted.

Pullman Aquatic and Fitness Center
500 NW Larry Street • Pullman
338-3290 • www.pullmanparksandrec.com

ACTIVE ADULTS

Scottish Highland Games

Register now for this celebration of Scottish heritage featuring fun activities for all ages in Spokane. Enjoy traditional bagpipe bands, highland dancing, athletic competitions, and Tug-o-war. Visit the British car exhibit. See Highland cattle and blacksmith demonstrations. There will be plenty for you to see and do all day. Home pickup begins at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 1. We leave city hall at 8:30 a.m. and return about 5 p.m. *Fee: \$18, which includes admission, escort and transportation. Meal cost is not included.

Peach Festival at Greenbluff

Travel with us to Greenbluff—the Inland Northwest fruit mecca. You can buy your favorite fruits and vegetables fresh from the fields, or enjoy a hot, yummy peach cobbler for lunch. We will also visit several farms, a gift shop, and several lunch stops. Home pickup begins at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 19. We leave city hall at

9 a.m. and return about 5 p.m. Register by Aug. 14. *Fee: \$13, which includes escort and transportation. Meal and produce costs are not included.

Kamiak Butte Picnic and Print Shop Museum

Join your friends for a nice picnic and the beautiful view from Kamiak Butte. On the way we will stop for a little shopping and tour of the Roy Chatters Printing Museum in Palouse. Home pickup begins at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 27. We leave city hall at 9 a.m. and return about 3 p.m. Register by Aug. 20. *Fee: \$10, which includes meal, escort and transportation.

Lake Coeur d’Alene and St. Joe River Cruise

This is the most beautiful cruise offered on Lake Coeur d’Alene. We also will travel several miles up the St. Joe River and enjoy a tasty chicken dinner buffet. Home pickup begins at 8 a.m. on Saturday,

Aug. 29. We leave city hall at 9 a.m. and return about 6 p.m. Register by Aug. 14. *Fee: \$65, which includes admission, meal, escort and transportation.

AARP Smart Drivers Class

This course covers state laws, driving conditions, and safety. Upon completion of this course, seniors qualify for the state-mandated insurance premium reduction. Fall session will be held at the Senior Center from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on Sept. 22 and 23. For information on classes and to register, call **Arnie Lee** at 208-301-8844. Fee: \$15/AARP members/\$20/Non-AARP members.

**Registrants who live outside Pullman city limits will be charged an additional \$2.*

NOTE: Many of these trips are listed in the 2015 Summer Parks & Recreation brochure and may fill up due to pre-registration. Call for info at 338-3307 or 338-3227.